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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

#### External Peer Review Meeting

**AGENCY:** Wind Energy Technologies Office; Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy; Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of external peer review meeting.

**SUMMARY:** All programs within the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy are required to undertake rigorous, objective peer review of their funded projects on a regular basis in order to ensure and enhance the management, relevance, effectiveness, and productivity of those projects. The Wind Energy Technologies Office intends to hold an External Peer Review in Arlington, VA, on February 14-16, 2017. An External Peer Review Panel will review current and recently completed projects and provide feedback on technical, scientific, and business merit; the actual or anticipated results; and the productivity and management effectiveness of projects. The review panel will also assess the potential impact of projects on the wind power industry and identify additional research initiatives and resources that may prove to be advantageous in the future.

Principal Investigators, expert reviewers, Wind Energy Technologies Office staff, and contract support staff will be in attendance during the review meeting. The event is open to the public based upon space availability.

**DATES:** The meeting is open to industry, academia, government, and the general public beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, February 14, 2017, and ending on Thursday, February 16, 2017, at 5:00 p.m., based on availability. See pre-registration information below.

**ADDRESSES:** The External Peer Review will be held at the Sheraton Pentagon City Hotel, 900 S. Orme Street, Arlington, VA, 22204. The Wind Energy Technologies Office Peer Review will be co-located with the Water Power Technologies Office Peer Review.

**Pre-Registration:** To pre-register, please contact Ms. Jenn ZiBerna via email at [jziberna@aetherquest.com](mailto:jziberna@aetherquest.com) or via telephone at (571) 297-4018, or visit the meeting registration webpage:

<https://ww2.eventrebels.com/er/Registration/StepRegInfo.jsp?ActivityID=19344&StepNumber=1>.

Participants interested in attending should indicate the research area or areas they would like to observe, their name, company name or organization (if applicable), telephone number, and email no later than the close of business on January 30, 2017.

**Comments:** Comments may be submitted by the following methods:

- E-mail: **Jose.Zayas@ee.doe.gov**. Include “Wind Energy Peer Review” in the subject line of the message.
- Postal Mail: Jose Zayas, EE-4WE, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585. Due to the potential delays in DOE’s receipt and processing of mail sent through the U.S. Postal Service, DOE encourages respondents to submit comments electronically to ensure timely receipt.

## **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

### Objectives

The objectives of the meeting are to:

- Review and evaluate the strategy and goals of the Wind Energy Technologies Office;
- Review and evaluate the progress and accomplishments of the Program's projects funded from FY2014 through FY2016; and
- Foster interactions among the DOE's national laboratories, industry, and academic institutions conducting research and development on behalf of the Office.

#### Research Areas

The Wind Energy Technologies Peer Review meeting will review projects sponsored by the Wind Program in the following research areas:

- Analysis, Modeling, Cost of Energy, and Policy Impact
- Grid Systems Planning and Operation
- Siting, Radar and Environmental
- Stakeholder Engagement, Outreach, and Workforce Development
- Atmosphere to Electrons, High Performance Computing, Resource Characterization, Flow Field Analysis and Testing
- Standards Development
- Distributed Wind Research, Development, and Testing
- Innovation, Manufacturing, Reliability, Advanced Components, and Testing
- Utility-scale Wind Unique Research, Development, and Testing

#### Agenda

Presentations from Principal Investigators representing industry, academia, and DOE's national laboratories will have time limits. Depending on the type of project, Principal Investigators will have 20–30 minutes to present. This includes time for question and answer sessions between the Principal Investigators and the expert reviewers.

#### Public Participation

The event is open to the public based upon space availability. DOE will also accept public comments as for purposes of developing the Wind Power Program portfolio, but will not respond individually to comments received. Following the meeting, a summary will be compiled by DOE and posted for public comment.

#### Information On Services For Individuals With Disabilities

Individuals requiring special accommodations at the meeting should contact Ms. ZiBerna no later than the close of business on January 30, 2017.

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